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ONE CENT In New York City

## Unions Put Rail Strike Issue Up to Wilson

Support to Him and Again Threaten the Country

Government Control of Carriers Is Suggested

Nation-Wide Strike, War or No War, Go Forward

Washington, March 13 .- The brothereds of railway trainmen, firemen and over the whole country's ansportation system, are playing a and which nobody understands.

War or no war, they will strike, they heir demand for an eight-hour basis in a letter given out at

otherhood of Railway Trainmen, was cent he answered evasively. What ad been written to the President, he aid, meant only that in the event of

There is current in railroad circles rumor that what the railway brotherthe labor leaders expect

ads as an emergency measure hour schedule would go into mediately, since the President called upon t

eipt last night of a copy of o. 2" of the Brotherhood of

or railway employes.

sonal reasons should be

Prove it as a temporary war measure of the railroad companies to postpone of the railroad companies to postp My socialism, but justice. The rail-wads are plenty able to meet our de-mands, which would not cost them as mands, which would much as they claim.

### Developments of the Day

tuded:

1. The declaration by a man very case to the President that the latter would take no steps to interfere with the strike situation that might dettion, and specifically that the President was convinced he had no authority to see a strike the strike that the strike that the strike the strike

Other developments here to-day in-

to sene the railroads and operate them for government purposes.

2. The statement by the chiefs of the brotherhoods that their demands as Mesented to the managers next Thursas would be exactly the same as those
discussed at the conferences last Detember. These demands are for the
morroment of the spirit of the Adamten law—the elimination of penalties
for overtime, but the adoption of the
eight-hour day as the basis of pay instead of the ten-hour day. This is, in
effect, a demand for an increase of 25

He cent in the waves of freight transbered purgaraphs, the last reading as

Perfation employes.

3. Denial by the chiefs that the thinks, if called, would take the form of a progressive series, as the manof a progressive series, as the man-sers had said would be the case. "If the strike at all," said one of them, "it will hit the whole country at once."

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4. Indorsement of the brotherhood taders' plans by a meeting here of 189-odd committee chairmen of the Southeastern territory, embracing all the railways east of the Mississippi and south of and including the Chesaltake & Ohio Railway.

5. The admission that this indorsement came only after vigorous opposition had been made in the conference to any action during the international this which the nation faces now.

6. The absolute silence of the lead-the conferring the action at a similar secting held in St. Louis, and attended by representatives of the brotherhood tembers in the Southwest.

7. The official announcement that the international federation of Labor unqualitiely indorsed the plans of the brotherhoods, and the admission that these plans had been discussed at the so-called preparedness conference of the rederation leaders here yesterday.

Dialoyalty Is Denied

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Tae brotherhood leaders issued a "takement to-night in which they restricted "instructions that the transportation employes are not loyal citizens," and in effect charged that the railway "ang." de settlement of the issue in the hope d war would prevent a real settle-out. In releasing the statement, raident Lee said: "We are still hopeis there will be no strike, but we are determined to press our claims to a

The meeting here to-day was a many one. It was learned from exof the chairmen were opposed to any action to the way of atrikes at this lies. cotion in the way of arradional wel-tion, on the ground that national wel-late demanded industrial peace. There

Leaders Pledge Their War was still another faction, rumored to have been led by members of German sympathies, who strongly urged the presentation of the full original demands, which include overtime penalties as well as the eight-hour basis of

The attitude of official Washington continues one of incredulity. Administration men declare they cannot see how a group of organizations in which men of American ancestry so largely predominate could contemplate "ham-Meanwhile Preparations for stringing the nation." They cling to the hope that Thursday's conference will develop a "way out" and many in-sist that any reasonable interpretation of the brotherhoods' statement to the President precludes a strike.

### Letter to Wilson

The letter to President Wilson, in which the railroad union chiefs pledged support in case of war, follows:

and the membership we represent

tee representing a number of railroads in the southeastern territory conferred

"It was then hoped by the brotherhoods that an application of the so-called Adamson law could be agreed upon that would give train, engine and yard employes at once the benefits in-tended by the President when propostended by the President when proposing the eight-hour law. The proposition submitted at to-day's meeting by the chief executives was unanimously indersed by the various general cimmittees, thus authorizing the chief executives to again renew their attempt to effect a peaceful settlement with the conference committee at the meeting to be held in New York Thursday. be held in New York Thursday

time to secure from their employers the benefits contemplated by the law is ab-surd, and assurances of our willingness Denics Seeking Scizure and intention to support our country should war be declared has been given to the President of the United States.

### Appeal to Public

Surely, the public must recognize "There is no foundation for the salement that we are seeking to force the government to take over the railmads as a preparedness measure. Such a proposition has not entered into our dilberations. We would oppose such a step in time of peace, and would appropriate the salement of the sa

## Rail Strike Order

### Men Told to Quit March 17

"Unless Otherwise Notified"

Pittsburgh, March 13 .- Members of the railroad brotherhoods in the Pittsburgh district are said to have received to-day the formal order to strike on March 17, "unless otherwise notified."

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follows: "Your representatives have been unable to effect a satisfactory settle-ment, and a strike under the laws of the respective organizations becomes effective March 17, 1917, 6 p. m. Cen-tral time, 7 p. m. Eastern time, unless otherwise notified."

The first paragraph directs that "no man in road service involved in the strike will perform any service after the hour set to strike, unless he has already begun a trip and has actually

left the terminal.

"If the train has left the terminal he will complete the trip and deliver the engine and train at the end of run or tie-up point, if tied up under the law, after which he will perform no further service until the close of the strike. Men in other than road service will leave the service at the appointed time.

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"So far as your legal right to strike is concerned, there is no difference between a mail train and a freight train. You have identically the same right to refuse to perform service on a mail train as you have to refuse to perform service on a freight train."

All men on strike are ordered in the circular to keep away from railroad property, "except such men as are designated certain duties to be performed by authority of the organizations. Every man should understand that the laws of the land must be obeyed. Acts of violence of any nature will not be tolerated."

Other sections deal with the manner in which the meetings of the strikers shall be conducted.

Railroad officials, when they learned the circulars had been received here, expressed little surprise, but refused to be quotted concerning what preparations they were making to prevent a tie-up of their lines.

Strike developments in New York and other cities, on Page 6.

### IN THE MIDST OF ALARMS



## Police Guard Fort Hamilton

200 Reserves Rushed There 300 Soldiers on Duty

realizes manded by Inspector Joseph Convoy hundred soldiers in Fort Hamilton last hundred soldiers hundred soldiers in Fort Hamilton last hundred soldiers hundred soldier

That is why they were bundled into The rail- a panic or war would defeat our de- patrol wagons and rushed to the fort, according to the order which was re-Great numbers of persons have visc according to the order which was received from Commissioner Woods shortly after 10 o'clock last night. He gave the order to Borough Inspector gave the order to Borough Inspector Dillon, who relayed it to Convoy, and Tanslow have respect to the present are known to but few the present are known to but few the body lies in state, the closed coffin to the uninitiated, should be published. It is better to tell the people the truth surmounted with a beautiful wreath it is better to tell the people the truth source of the uninitiated, should be published. It is better to tell the people the truth surmounted with a beautiful wreath it is better to tell the people the truth source of the uninitiated, should be published. It is better to tell the people the truth surmounted with a beautiful wreath it is better to tell the people the truth source of the uninitiated, should be published. It is better to tell the people the truth surmounted with a beautiful wreath it is better to tell the people the truth source of the uninitiated, should be published. It is better to tell the people the truth surmounted with a beautiful wreath it is better to tell the people the truth source of the uninitiated, should be published. On the west, Sucquoy, Achiet-le-day. Consul Frost at Queenstown cathetic fine the body lies in state, the closed coffin in the British grasp; on the east and south, Beaulencourt and Transloy have south, Beaulencourt a Includes Mail Trains Dillon, who relayed it to Convoy, and Japanese artists. told him to "get busy."

The police believed him, rather than skeptical army officers, and at a late hour last night were still waiting in embattled ranks, wondering what was delaying the reservists, and listening to the unappreciative snores of the men they were rescuing.

### White Quits Banking

### House Headed by Bernstorff's Friend Changes Hands

White & Co., Inc., in charge of the distribution and sale of the stock of the Federal Dyestuff and Chemical Corporation, has retired from business, Their trade has been taken over by a new firm bearing the title Ussing. Poole & Simmons, Inc. The new company will deal in listed and unlisted stocks and

White & Co. was organized in Decem White & Co. was organized in December. 1914. Its president, Archibald S. White, received much publicity at the time of the "leak" investigation, when it was proved that he was a close friend of Count von Bernstorff. At his office yesterday it was said that he had gone to White Sulphur Springs, and was no longer concerned with any business.

### Warship Will Bring Guthrie's Body Home

From "Attack" Japan's "Special Manifestation of Friendship for United States."

> Tokio, March 12.- As a special mark of honor to the late George W. Guthrie. American Ambassador to Japan, the Emperor is expected to detail the first class cruiser Azuma to transport the body to the United States. The official announcement designating the warship is awaited with great interest, because, broadly interpreted, it will be a specia

Great numbers of persons have vislice of the outlying districts of Brook-lyn helter-skelter 'cross-country: attaches constitute the guard of honor.

## mobilized in Brooklyn and are marching on Fort Hamilton. Protect the fort."

Washington, March 13.—Ambassador The fort was still sale when convoy and his men arrived. Inside the soldiers were slumbering peacefully and innocent of the danger that hovered over them. Their snores arose on the over them. Their snores arose on the state Department to-day that he had over them. over them. Their snores arose on the night air as the police began stumbling over parapets and embrasures and things in their attempt to place a cordon around the fort.

After the blueclad ring was completed and the lights of the police boats winked from the water the soldiers continued to sleep. Why should they worry when the cops were guarding them from harm?

### Germany Must Go Hungry Until New Crops Come

### High Time People Knew Truth, Says Bavarian Peasant Leader

up to the present are known to but few hardly be withstood for long. down through its own faults. We must sitions. Id him to "get busy."

This is the order which sent the po- Japanese dignitaries and Japanese and hold out 120 days longer, until the new

### English Buy Tuxpam Oil Wells, Is Report

Galveston, March 13.-The English governments guarantees for the two ships against submarine attacks. Several days probably will pass before Turkey receives the Berlin and Vienna replies.

## It Can't Be Helped

We were sorry to raise the price of The Tribune to newsdealers outside of Greater New York, but we had to do it. Increased cost of white paper compelled us.

So if your dealer charges you Two Cents at his newsstand for your Tribune it's not his fault, nor wholly The Rockaways, Jersey City, Newark, Hoboken,

and points west are the districts affected by the increase. But we're glad to say The Tribune's circulation hasn't been affected. Its readers stick to a good paper.

The Tribune First to Last - the Truth: News - Editorial's - Advertisements

The Hague, via London, March 13 .-After the debate in the Prussian House south of Arras. Bapaume is now out

"It is high time that the facts, which north and east, to a fire which can

hold out 120 days longer, until the new crops; but even if to-morrow brought 'hunger peace' we would be unable for months to get a pound more of bread grain, owing to lack of tonnage and the world's crop failure.

"This must be told the people squarely, and the ruthless measures must be borne, whether they affect peasants and town dwellers, not only in Bavaria and South Germany, but also the Prussian aggrarians."

1916, which, he says, has not yet been

## Gerard Will Reach

### Obregon to Retire

### British Reach Bapaume After Mile Advance

Germans Shelled Out of Positions, Haig's Men Reach Town's Outskirts

Whole Arras Salient

Taken: Retreating Army Closely Pursued

London, March 13 .- The British vesterday forced the Germans to abandon their main defensive system west of Bapaume. Gough's troops, their path cleared by an intense artillery bombardment, swent forward during the day along a front of three and a half miles to a depth of a mile, capturing the village of Grevillers and the powerfully fortified Loupart wood, and driv-

The Germans accomplished their new retirement, as they did their old, under cover of a dense fog, but the British ment of the lines and pressed forward guards along the forward crest of the

The operation was a clean-cut Britsh success. The Germans were forced out of their lines by the fire of the

frontages in the last week had brought into the hands of Gough's troops dominating heights, from which they were an enfilading fire

Commecourt, on the western end of the line, during the day, Correspondents from the British headquarters in France all speak of important activities that are continuing. The British advanced troops are

One correspondent said: We are on the eve of important ovements, and the enemy is not likey to escape the pressure of them with-

something like disaster. Another wired that there should be The new British success can have but

## Washington To-day

"Strong Man" of Carranza Administration to Quit Office

## War Begins When Armed U. S. Ship Meets Its U-Boat

### Bernstorff Inspires Move to Avoid War; Berlin Takes Action

ference; Count Sees No Hope If U. S. Ship Is Sunk

London, March 13 .- The arrival at Copenhagen of Count von Bernstorff has caused renewed discussion in Ber lin of the submarine blockade among political, naval and diplomatic representatives, according to "The Nor-

dispatch. "The alteration, but not the matic corps are frankly amazed at the raising, of the blockade is probable."

These conferences, it is indicated, They are practically at one, however, in Count von Bernstorff's stay in Chris- be effective, tiania, when indirect efforts, it says, were made to prevent the situation between Germany and America develop- vinced that the declaration of the government

dispatch, Count von Bernstorff, inter- neither the United States nor Germany and the United States, replied:

correspondent of the "Berlin Tage-

"And if." asked the correspondent, American citizens aboard?"

To this Count von Bernstorff replied:

### Belgian Relief Ship Is Sunk Unwarned

Germans and more than keeping pace Norwegian Steamer Lars Fast-

enaes Had Grain Cargo London, March 14 .- The Norwegian steamer Lars Fastenaes (Lars Fostenes), bound from America for Rotterdam, with grain for the American Relief Commission, has been sunk without warning outside the blockade zone, according to "The Norwegian Mer-cantile Shipping Gazette."

### Cunarder Sunk; 7 Lost

Folio Is Destroyed Washington, March 13.-Seven lives is possible warships are at present occupied in patrol duty in the Pacific and Indian oceans.

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> er Folio out of crew of seventy-eight, slightest belief that Germany will fol-British raiding parties are extremely active south of Arras, Berlin reports. This signifies every possible means of weakening the German grip on the Arras salient is being taken by Haig's forces.

nt, fighting assuming big propor- given by the wife of the captain of the to board and search American mersteamer. It was their honeymoon trip, chantmen, but not until the German

She says:

"The ship sank at 6:45 o'clock in the morning, eighteen minutes after the first shot was fired. We were helped into two small boats and abandoned in mid-Atlantic. After three days of unspeakable hardships, during which one sailor died of exposure and three others were frostbitten, the boats were picked up by the Danish schooner Ellen Benzon.

chantmen, but not until the German government has taken back its announcement of January 31. Until that statement is withdrawn American armed guards will proceed on the assumption that the appearance of a submarine spells danger. They will fire on sight.

For military reasons, it is impossible to send for publication anything shout

### Amsterdam, March 13.-The report submarine has been

that a German submarine has been stranded near Hellevoetsluis, on the Ditch coast, is confirmed by the "Het-volk." Fifteen members of the crew, says the newspaper, have disembarked.

### Raider in Indian Ocean Chased by Warships of these was the quarrel between the

George M. Cohan in Broad by Jones.

Belianted at STRAND area MARCH.

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Congress authorized the capture of French vessels and authorized American ships to protect themselves.

In the present case it would be useless to authorize the capture of German ships to protect themselves.

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# Situation in Which Neither

### Alternative Is for Germany to Yield

Side Would Need to De-

clare Hostilities

dent for the Case as It Now Stands

Diplomats Know No Prece-

By STEVENSON H. EVANS Washington, March 13 .- It is an enirely new thing that President Wilson

tral countries have been called to Ber- tional law for armed guards on mer lin for a conference," continues the chant ships. Members of the diplo announced course of the United States.

Diplomats from whom it possible to draw an opinion are co ernment of the United States to use a In an interview with the Copenhagen armed guard on merchant ships means British guns, which had completely blatt," says an Exchange Telegraph Most of them incline to the view that rogated as to whether he thought need formally declare war. Germany, there would be war between Germany in the view of those who have been close to Teutonic circles here, will de "That depends on our U-boat war- so as soon as a submarine is sunk by

fare. If we sink an American ship we an American gun officials which now clings to the hope that the mere threat to sink on sight "Germany sinks British ships with German submarines will be sufficient to bring Germany to a renunciation of un

### restricted submarine warfare.

In the opinion of diplomats here i takes only a very short sentence to state completely the present relation ship between the United States an threat-and American officials are convinced that Berlin is fully and of ficially aware of the counter threat

is that submarines will be sunk wit out warning. Germany will not fail to draw the nference, in the opinion of the diplomats, that it is possible to avoid the ssue of war with the United States

in only two ways: 1. By directing the submarines to American in Jeopardy When avoid American ships. This course, it

Encounter Expected Soon The first course cannot be followed indefinitely. It will be all too soon, considering the present state of unpre-U-Boat Left Woman Adrift paredness even in the navy, that an

they worry when the cops were guarding they proceed a days probably will pass before the colour to the guarding to reports received fields, according to reports received from English capitalists.

Savannah, Ga., March 13.—James W. German, Conditions

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### U. S. Ready for Trouble The American government is ready for trouble, but is not looking for it.

Although there is no precedent for

the presence of armed government guards on merchant ships, situations

somewhat analogous have arisen. One United States and France in 1798,

indian, and is generally credited with being the "strong man" of the Carrenza administration and one of the ablest military leaders in Mexico. His most noted military achievement was the decisive defeat of Francisco Villz at Celaya in April, 1915, at which battle he lost his right arm.

Augustian Officially Announces

Tokio, March 12.—It is officially announced that a converted German nounced that a converted German nounced that a converted German cruiser has been sighted in the Indian Cocan, and that it is now being chased by Japanese and British warships. The Germans had sunk a Japanese freighter of 3,115 tens. which continued for three years, both

ALGUSTA. CHARLESTON. SUMMER-VILLE. SAYANNAH. FLORIDA. CUBA 4 Trains Daily. Atlantic Coast Line, 1198 Bry.

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In the present case it would be less to authorize the capture of man merchantmen, as there are man merchantmen, as there are continued by the complete of the seas. It would be equally

## Is Seriously Menaced Loupart Wood and Grevillers Experts Called to U-Boat Con-

German Positions Raked from Heights Short, sharp dashes along narrow

pile front east and northeast of

said to be hard upon the heels of the

out severe damage, even if he escapes

important news available Wednesday. one effect; it will force the Germans

Arras salient is being taken by Haig's forces.

In the Champagne the battle continues without cessation. Both Berlin and Paris claim is he much disputed Hill 185, though most dispatches indicate the main position is in the hands of the French. Berlin states to-day that 'the cremy paid with sanguinary sacrifices for a locally limited and narrow gain of ground on the southwest slope."

Many local operations were carried out by both sides along the rest of the front, fighting assuming big proportions in the hands of the southwest slope."

Many local operations were carried out by both sides along the rest of the front, fighting assuming big proportions with the main position is in the hands of the submarine of the right of German submarine of the root board and search American merchantman.'

Officials at the State Department made it clear to all diplomatic callers to do day that this government recognized the right of German submarine of the root board and search American merchantman.

Awaits Permission to Tell of

Mr. Gerard will reach Washington to-morrow afternoon. He said to-day that if he received permission at the State Department he would break his long silence on conditions in Germany.

Queretaro, March 13.—General Obre-gon, Minister of War, has sent a tele-gram to President Carranza announc-ing his determination to retire to pri-